

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire

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Meetings this week:

City Council, April 30, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, April 30, at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

To view the workshop agenda, click <u>here</u>.

For a complete list of weekly

Friday, April 25, 2014

Dover Main Street to host Adopt A Spot fundraiser May 4

Dover Main Street invites the public and stakeholders to 7th Settlement Brewery on Sunday, May 4, from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. to a community benefit fundraiser for the Adopt A Spot program. The 7th Settlement Brewery will donate 5 percent of proceeds throughout the day to Dover Main Street, and during the 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. program of events, Dover Main Street will also host a raffle of items donated by downtown businesses, and information on how to sign up for Adopt A Spot locations.

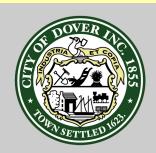
The City of Dover has a reputation as an attractive, clean and proud community. Maintaining that image isn't only about tending to the City's facilities, but also requires constant attention to hundreds of other locations throughout the City, such as street islands, ball fields, median strips, parks, cemeteries and street corners.

Gail Daudelin, a Dover Main Street board member who oversees the program said, "Thanks to the dedication of Dover Main Street volunteers, the City has saved significantly on maintenance and grounds-keeping costs at dozens of locations. The Adopt-a-Spot program is an example of the community pitching in to help beautify public property while saving tax dollars in the process. We hope everyone will join us May 4th to fundraise for new signage for the program which we have recently rebranded and updated for a fresh new image."

Tom Massingham, a longtime Dover Main Street Board

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Recycling Center hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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member who also leads the program noted, "The program began in 1995 as a way to allow the community -- businesses, individuals, civic clubs, garden clubs, churches, and other organizations -- to maintain a wide variety of public property, including all of the City's parks. Volunteers perform routine maintenance, such as mowing, weeding, litter removal, landscape plantings, painting, and in some cases, minor repairs. Some participants choose to donate funds to help pay for maintenance or make donations of materials or provide discounts on products or services."

Whether it's the volunteer effort to maintain these sites, or through donations, the hard work and community spirit not only help keep the City attractive, they reduce the City's cost of such work. Dover Main Street leads the program and is actively seeking new volunteers and adding additional spots for adoption. To sign up for an Adopt A Spot location please visit www.dovermainstreet.org.

New report looks at climate change in Dover

A <u>new report</u> that looks at the potential effects of climate change in Dover is now available.

Since September 2012, the City of Dover has participated in a climate change project that aims to understand and prepare for the potential effects of climate change. Dover was one of four New England communities to participate in the project, organized by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Science Impact Collaborative, the Consensus Building Institute and

New England
Climate Adaptation
PROJECT



Summary Climate Change Risk Assessment Dover, New Hampshire March 2014

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the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve. Project goals focus on educating the public about climate change threats and helping communities explore ways of decreasing their vulnerability.

The project began with a series of personal interviews with various stakeholders in Dover to assess their level of knowledge and opinions on climate change. During the first part of 2013, a summary risk assessment of how the climate could change in Dover was prepared, including identifying key climate vulnerabilities and possible adaptation options. The next step was organizing a series

of role-play simulation events that gave Dover citizens an opportunity to discuss climate change adaptation options. Through the second half of 2013, eight workshops were held in various locations in Dover, including one hosted by the 7th Settlement Brewery. About 120 people participated in the workshops. Many of the sessions were co-hosted by a city board or commission or by a local company or group, including the Children's Museum of New Hampshire and Measured Progress.

Based on these sessions in Dover, MIT, working with climate scientists at the University of New Hampshire and NECAP partners, have co-produced a new report on the major climatic changes that Dover is likely to experience through the end of the century. The report also offers suggestions for what the City can do to minimize the impacts.

The report can be viewed here.

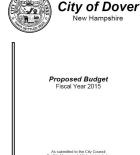
For more information about this project, visit the project website at <u>necap.mit.edu</u>, or contact City Planner Steve Bird at 603-516-6008 or at <u>s.bird@dover.nh.gov</u>.

Your guide to the FY2015 budget

City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., recently presented the proposed fiscal year 2015 budget to the City Council, kicking off several weeks of budget deliberations.

The City Council adopts a budget in June.

As the budget process continues, visit the City's <u>online resource for the FY2015 budget</u>, part of the ongoing Budget Revealed initiative.



The City's online FY2015 budget page will be updated throughout the budget process, including links to the proposed budget and releated materials, department presentations, a calendar of upcoming meetings, video, and much more.

Click <u>here</u> to learn more about the FY2015 proposed City of Dover budget.

SEED opens spring grant period

The Seacoast Educational Endowment of Dover (SEED) is now accepting applications for its spring grant period. SEED will fund up to \$5,000 in grant awards for projects to be implemented across the Dover school district. These grants are intended for educators of Dover public school students.

Applications are due by Thursday, May 1, 2014.

For more information, or to download a grant application, click here.

Dover Police, Coalition for Youth hold drug takeback day Saturday

On Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Dover Police Department, Dover Coalition for Youth and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public another opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Medications can be brought for disposal to the Dover Police Department at 46 Locust Street. The service is free, anonymous, and no questions will be asked.

"Over half of teens report that prescription drugs are easy or very easy to get" according to Dover Coalition for Youth coordinator, Vicki Hebert. "Seventy percent of teens who abuse prescription drugs obtained the medications from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. We are holding this event to allow community members to dispose of their medications and remove the source of temptation from their home."

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Surveys show that one in five New Hampshire high school students have used a prescription drug that was not prescribed to them.

This is the seventh national take back imitative that Dover has participated in. The last seven events have resulted in over 1,000 pounds of drugs being collected. "The community has let us know that they are looking for safe ways to dispose of their medications by consistently

coming out for take back days and turning in hundreds of pounds of drugs at each year." said Chief Anthony Colarusso of the Dover Police Department.

Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines-flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash-both pose potential safety and health hazards. The DEA states that unused prescription drugs thrown in the trash can be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. Unused drugs that are flushed contaminate the water supply.

If you are unable to attend a collection event during the national take back day visit the Food and Drug Administration website at www.FDA.gov to learn about other recommended disposal methods.

For more information about the take back event visit the DEA website at www.DEA.gov. If you want to learn more about the local problem and how you can get involved contact the Dover Coalition for Youth at 603.516.3279 or online at www.DoverCoalition.org.

Month-long comment period on Pease noise study under way

The Pease Development Authority, Airport Management Department, is in the final stages of the Noise Exposure Map Project for the Portsmouth International Airport at Pease.

The documents and maps associated with this project are available for public review through May 23, 2014, at 4 p.m. Contact PDA Community Liaison Sandra McDonough at 603-433-6536 or s.mcdonough@peasedev.org to make arrangements to review the documents.

In addition, the PDA invites the public to an "open house" presentation of the information on Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board of Director's Room, 55 International Drive, Portsmouth. The presentation will explain the methodology and results of the noise study. Copies of the Noise Exposure Maps and associated documents will be available.

Written public comments may be submitted to the Pease Development Authority at the public meeting, mailed to the Pease Development Authority at 36 Airline Avenie, Portsmouth, NH 03801, or emailed to s.mcdonough@peasedev.org.

Time to renew dog licenses

Dog licenses for 2014 are now available. All dogs must be licensed by April 30 to avoid a late fee. The cost for a male or female dog is \$10, a neutered male or spayed female dog is \$7.50 and puppies (3-7 months) are \$7.50 for first licensing.

Residents 65 years of age or older may license one dog for \$3. Additional licenses require regular fees.

The City Clerk's office requires proof of rabies information and a certificate of spaying or neutering.

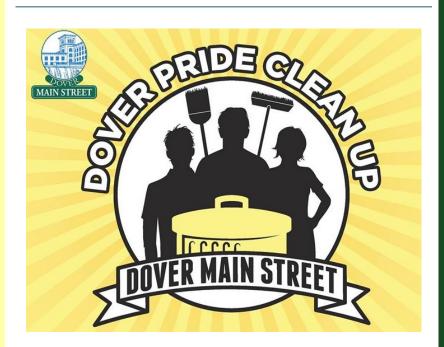
Late fees of \$1 a month begin June 1.

Dog licenses can be renewed at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, by mail or online.

In addition to online licensing, rabies information can also be updated online and the certificate mailed to the City Clerk's office. A checking account is required for online dog license registration. To ensure privacy, dog owners must provide the dog's tag number.

To renew online, click here.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.



Dover Pride Clean Up Day

sweeps up May 10

This year's Dover Pride Clean Up Day will be held Saturday, May 10, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Join Dover Main Street for this annual showcase of civic pride during which hundreds of volunteers help clean up Dover's public spaces, parks and gardens.

This year's sponsors are Centrix Bank, Wentworth Greenhouses, and the Dover Kiwanis, who sponsor the breakfast that starts the day, and to Kendall Pond Pizza and Coca-Cola who provide all the volunteers lunch at the end of the event.

For more information, or to sign up, visit www.dovermainstreet.org or the event's Facebook.page.



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, "Historic Rambles About Dover," by Robert A. Whitehouse, "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" by Robert A. Whitehouse and Cathleen C. Beaudoin, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Institute Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located at

http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/cityof.htm.



April 25, 1704 - Nathaniel Header of Dover was slain by the Indians at Oyster River, not far from the place where Nicholas Follet formerly dwelt.



April 25, 1729 - The inhabitants of the northeast of Dover (what would eventually become Somersworth), petition the Assembly to be set off as a parish for the benefit of the ministry.



April 26, 1790 - A committee was appointed to see if the terms on which the mill privileges at the falls had been granted to Richard Waldron in 1653, regarding the payment yearly of 12 pounds in boards or plank so long as the same were occupied, had been complied with, and if not why not. The committee was directed to search the Salem records for evidence of the contract, which subsequently reported through Dr. Ezra Green, that nothing could be found there about it.

April 27, 1706 - The Indians came in upon the south part of Oyster River (then in Dover), by the Little Bay, and killed ten persons, the chief whereof were brother John Wheeler and his wife, John Drew, and others. It is thought this was done by the Indian Bombazeer. According to Jeremy Belknap, "The garrison was near, but not a man in it: the women, however, seeing nothing but death before them, fired an alarm, and then putting on hats, and loosening their hair that they might appear like men, they fired so briskly that the enemy apprehending that the people were alarmed, fled without burning or even plundering the house which they had attacked. John Wheeler, meeting this party and mistaking them for friendly Indians, unhappily fell into

April 28, 1825 - The Methodist meeting house, the first one of this denomination built in town, was dedicated this day.

their hands and was killed with his wife and two children. Four of his sons took refuge in a cave by the back of the Little Bay, and though pursued by the Indians, escaped

unhurt."

April 29, 1861 - The two companies enlisted here having received orders to rendezvous at Concord, in obedience thereto, left the city 145 men in all. The companies were mustered at their respective quarters at 7 a.m., and at 10 o'clock were formed on Central Square, where the Rev. Mr. Salter of the Episcopal Church offered prayer. The Rev. Mr. Clapp of the Calvin Baptist Church made appropriate remarks, and Mayor Bickford closed the proceedings with a patriotic address.

April 30, 1731 - By a vote of the town, one and a half acres of land at Pine Hill, near the meeting house, were set apart as a public burying ground.

Arson Awareness Week May 4-10

At the request of State Fire Marshal J. William Degnan, New Hampshire Governor Maggie Hassan has declared May 4-10, 2014, as Arson Awareness Week. The New Hampshire State Fire Marshals Office, The New Hampshire Association of Fire Chiefs', and The New Hampshire Fire Prevention Society along with The U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) are partnering with the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI); Safe Kids USA; National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC); and the National Association of State Fire Marshals to announce the theme for the 2014 Arson Awareness Week (AAW): "Vehicle Arson - A Combustible Crime."

The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Program indicates that over the last 10 years (2003-2012) there has been an average of 14,737 vehicle arsons reported, accounting for 26.5 percent of total arsons annually.

The goal for this year's Arson Awareness Week is to focus on the importance of a collaborative effort with fire and emergency service departments, law enforcement, insurance companies and the justice system to help reduce the unscrupulous crime of vehicle arson. Marshal Degnan said, "The motivations behind the burning of vehicles are similar to those of other types of arson crimes." The most common motive: revenge.

According to the National Center for the Analysis of Violent Crime, the most common motive (41 percent) for an arsonist is revenge. An arsonist will target the home of someone in retaliation for an actual or perceived injustice against him or her. A car is viewed as an extension of the individual and is a very personal target for revenge arson.

Degnan wants everyone to be diligent and offers these tips to help prevent vehicle arson crimes.

- Park your car in a well-lit area.
- Use a secure parking lot for extended periods.
- Close all windows.
- Remove the key from the ignition.
- Always lock doors, trunk and tailgate.
- · Use antitheft devices.
- Report abandoned cars to the police.
- Don't leave valuables in plain sight.
- Use a recovery system, such as GPS or Lojack.

City's boards and commissions keep our community vibrant

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part

to the energy and talent of citizen participation on boards and commissions.

The City's boards and commissions encourage public participation, including new members to fill vacant positions.

The boards and commissions below are now seeking to fill vacancies for regular and alternate seats:

- Arena Commission
- Conservation Commission
- Energy Commission
- Ethics Commission
- Open Lands Committee
- Pool Advisory Committee
- Recreation Advisory Board
- Utilities Commission
- Zoning Board of Adjustment

For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about how to apply for boards and commissions, click **here**.

To download an application for board and commissions, click **here**. Completed forms should be returned to the City Clerk's Office. Committee application forms are kept on file for one year from date of submission.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.

Dover Chamber seeking scholarship applicants

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's Education Committee is seeking applications for their student scholarship. One recipient will be awarded \$1,000 to use for post-secondary education, courtesy of Measured Progress. Click here to download an application. Applications are due by Wednesday, April 30.

The Chamber is also accepting nominations for the 2014 Educator of the Year Award.

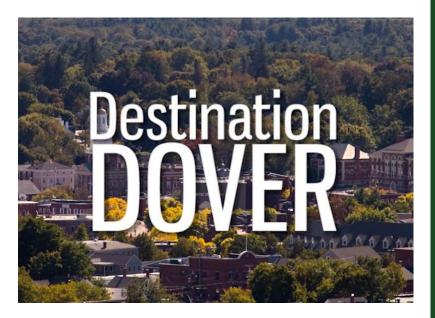
For more information, visit the Greater Dover of Chamber's <u>website</u> or call 603-742-2218.

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Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for upto-date information on what's happening in Dover.

Whether it's the schedule for the Cochecho Arts Festival, art exhibits or where to shop for local products, sign up for Peek at the Week, and you'll be ready for the week ahead.

You can sign up to receive the Chamber's Peek at the Week by e-mail <u>here</u>.

Time to register your vehicle? Save time, register online

Did you know you can save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online?

Online vehicle registration renewal is easy, safe and secure. You can register online by providing a PIN number or your license plate number. Your PIN number is provided by the City of Dover and can be found on your renewal notice.

For your convenience, you can now pay for motor vehicle registration by credit card.

For more information on the E-registration process, click **here**.

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch it again, online and on demand.

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